

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): A method for treating a tumor comprising the step of administering a composition containing benzyl alcohol at a dose of 1 mg - 50 mg/cm³ of tumor volume ~~(cm³)~~ in combination with vitamin C, wherein vitamin C is used in a range of 0.1 to 10 times per 1 part of benzyl alcohol by weight, wherein said ~~combination~~ dose is sufficient to cause cells of said tumor to become necrotic, and wherein said tumor ~~comprises~~ is a stomach tumor, breast, large bowel, thyroid gland or pancreatic tumor cells.

2. (previously presented): A method of claim 1 for treating a tumor comprising the step of externally administrating the composition containing benzyl alcohol in combination with vitamin C.

3. (previously presented): A method of claim 1 for treating a tumor comprising the step of perorally or parenterally administrating the composition containing benzyl alcohol in combination with vitamin C.

Claims 4 - 15. (canceled).

16. (previously presented): A method for treating a tumor according to any one of claims 1 - 3, wherein said dose is determined to be sufficient to cause cells of the tumor to become necrotic by using separation of a tumor cell from a normal cell as a marker.

17. (previously presented): A method for treating a tumor according to any of claims 1 - 3, wherein said administration is carried out by using an aqueous 0.1-5% benzyl alcohol solution.